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1. One week before the recent purge of army officers in Czechoslovakia, a group of officers drawn from among the commanders of the large garrisons left for the USSR, presumably Moscow.
2. It is not known what instructions the Czechoslovak officers received in the USSR, but the following measures were taken on their return:
 - a. The Czechoslovak General Staff is to be controlled by a Soviet Staff through whom all orders from the Soviet General Staff will be transmitted.
 - b. More intensive training is to be given to troops who are now with the colors. Training is at present being carried out in all arms.
 - c. Particularly efficient officers and men (mostly volunteers) are being selected for special training in the USSR and will then return to Czechoslovakia to train others. At the same time, small units are to be trained for special work.
3. Selection is also going on among recruits for parachute training. The examination is so selective that only a small percentage is accepted. Besides the basic training given in jumping and in the use of their own weapons, they are being trained in the use of foreign weapons, small arms, automatic weapons, and light guns.
4. The training of larger units and formations (regiments and divisions) is organized down to the smallest detail so that it is possible to have a whole unit at its operational position within 24 hours and not later than 48 hours, or at least to have it ready for transport at the assembly point.
5. Plans are also to be made to improve the speed of call-up to such a degree that age groups who have already completed their military training and are now in civil employment will be properly clothed and armed within 48 hours. Similarly, lists are to be drawn up of those who have not yet been trained, up to and including those of the 1930 age group. Men of these lists will be called up for training to take the place in the garrisons of those who have already completed their course.

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6. The munitions and supply depots are to carry two months' stock based on the following scale, per infantry weapon, machine gun, and gun; 60 days basic requirements plus 300 percent.
7. Similarly, food supplies are to be reviewed, and tinned goods and army biscuits are to be produced in greater quantities.

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